

Third Congressional District.
HYDEPARK, Aug. 15, 1866.
Met, the several committees elected to nominate members of Congress, with the following results:

Present, Chittenden, Orleans, Franklin and Essex County committees. Whole number of committee appointed 22: Present 18, for Essex County, 4.

On motion, C. Noyes of Chittenden Co. was called to the chair as President and J. H. Hamilton of Franklin Co. was duly elected Sec'y. The roll was called—

The committee for Essex County appearing on motion, the vote nominating the Hon. Portus Baxter was unanimously reconsidered.

After statement by Mr. Burt, as citizen of Franklin County, Hon. Portus Baxter was again presented as a candidate for member of Congress, and was unanimously nominated for member of Congress. Mr. Burt again appeared and addressed the chair, was ruled out of order and on motion, the District Committee was unanimously re-elected.

On motion the committee adjourned.

C. NOYES, Chairman.

THE DISTRICT CONVENTION.—The St. Albans Transcript thus narrates the proceedings in the Franklin County sub-convention at Hydepark on Wednesday:

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still continued, and men passed through twice after that, who were favorable to Mr. Baxter, and they were witnessed by as substantial men as can be produced in St. Albans or Franklin County. It is also creditably stated that men from other counties passed through the gate, representing themselves as Franklin County men, in the interest of Mr. Baxter.

The pretended chairman of the meeting, H. E. Seymour Esq. (because a regular chairman could not be chosen) stated publicly that he was a Baxter man or men, pass through several times. After getting through, it was ascertained

man. On getting through, a few more stated that the boxer men, under the present state of things, had exhausted the Hoyt men and claimed to have a majority, which the Hoyt men strongly denied on account of the fraud which had been committed. A motion was subsequently made and carried, to have each town meet together in town caucus for the purpose of ascertaining their relative strength. This course was insisted on by the friends of Mr. Hoyt, but it was not followed. The chairman then declared the previous proceedings of the meeting were void, for the reasons above stated. The matter was then taken before the general convention. Mr. Seymour made a statement of the matters at issue, and asked a vote.

Mr. B. Barlow made a statement, in which he said that the proceedings were as fair as they could be, under the circumstances. Hon. H. E. Royce, H. A. Bart, Esq., M. Buck Esq., Geo. A. Ballard Esq., and others substantiated the statement of Mr. Seymour.

It therefore became apparent that Franklin County could not fairly select a nominating committee. It had been working all day to elect a president, and had not, up to that time, succeeded—much less in selecting a nominating committee, which could not be done until some organization was perfected.

With this state of things before the convention, the honorable members present decided to

The Union Convention of the First District met in Middlebury on the 15th, and organized by the election of Hon. John W. Stewart of Middlebury, for President, and Hon. John Gregory of Northfield, Col. R.

As we announced last week, the Hon. F. E. Woodbridge, was unanimously renominated for Congress by acclamation. Mr. Woodbridge having been informed of his nomination, appeared before the convention, and in a brief and fitting speech, signified his acceptance of the nomination.

Hon. S. B. Colby, Register of the Treasury, was called on for a speech, and responded in a strain altogether too Johnniean to suit the temper of the Convention.

Hon. C. W. Willard of Montpelier, and others followed in remarks, severely criticising the Register's conservative address.

The next Convention is to be called as a Delegate Convention.

The District Committee for the ensuing

near are, Gen. P. F. Pitkin of Montpelier, Hon. W. C. Dutton of Rutland, Henry Lane of Cornwall, and C. M. Bliss of Woodford.

The Grand Isle County Convention will be held at the Court House in North Hero, on Saturday, August 25th, 1866, at 10 o'clock A. M.—A large convention is expected.

THAT C. D. BOWERS.—An illustration of the composition of the late Philadelphia

convention—a large portion of whose members had no constituency behind them larger than a bar-room squad, and some not even so much as that—a writer to the *Boston Journal* gives the following account of *C. D. Rogers*, who figures as the Chairman of the New Hampshire delegation, who pressed upon President Johnson the necessity of turning out office-holders who were "not satisfactorily to the upholders of his policy":

"This remarkable individual has lived in

new stamping only since that winter, does not possess a foot of soil, never cast a vote or paid a dollar of taxes there, and yet he assumed to pledge that State for three "my policy" members of Congress, provided the President will place the Federal offices therein appertaining at their disposal." The laugh comes in, when it is understood that the temporary residence of this "representative man" is in the staunch Republican town of Claremont, good any day for a Republican majority."

the indulgence due to *that*. When a man has done his work, and nothing can any way be materially altered in his fate, let him forget his toil, and jest with his fate, if he will; but what excuse can you find for willfulness of thought at the very time when every crisis of future fortune hangs on your decisions? A youth thoughtless when all the happiness of his home forever depends on the chances, or the passions, of an hour? A youth thoughtless when the career of all his days depends on the opportunity of a moment? A youth thoughtless when his every act is a foundation-stone of future conduct, and every imagination a fountain of life or death? By thoughtlessness, in other words, by

or that no—though, indeed, there is only one place where a man may be nobly thoughtless,—his death-bed. No thinking should ever be let to be done there.

RUSKIN.